

THE CLOCK POWER IS CUT OFF WHEN INS IS TURNED OFF IN THE HANGAR PRIOR TO ENGINE SHUT DOWN. IT IS CHARACTERISTIC OF SUCH CLOCKS NOT TO STOP IMMEDIATELY, BUT TO COAST DOWN FOUR TO FIVE SECONDS. SINCE IT READS ONLY ELAPSED TIME, WE HAVE NEVER FELT A NEED FOR POST MISSION ACCURACY CHECKS.

2. LAST DATE OF STOPWATCH VERIFICATION AND TIME CLOCK
VEPIFICATION IS UNKNOWN. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF VEPIFYING PATES
AT THIS TIME USING INSTRUMENTS CAPRIED ON BX 6734. BEAR IN MIND
HOWEVER THAT THE STOPWATCH IS USED ONLY FOR A SHORT PERIOD IN
THE LAB TO HACK THE INS TIME TO WWVH. EVEN IF ITS PATE IS OFF

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ON THE OPDER OF 2 TO 3 ITS EFFECT ON INSTIME WOULD BE NEGLIGIBLE. THE SAME HOLDS TRUE FOR THE DATA BLOCK CLOCK. IT'S PATE IS PLUS OP MINUS 1.5 SEC FOR A 24 HOUR PEFIOD. OVER A 4 HOUR MISSION LENGTH THIS WOULD BE AN EPPOP OF ONE FOURTH OF A SECOND IF THE CLOCK WAS IN EPROR AT ITS MAXIMUM PATE. AN ERROP PATE OF FOUR TIMES WILL BE ONE SECOND IN FOUR HOURS. REGAPDLESS OF THE ABOVE, WE ARE CHECKING EPPOR PATES AND YOU WILL BE SUPPLIED INFORMATION AS SOON AS IT IS AVAILABLE.

- 3. CONSIDERING ALL FACTORS, WE FEEL THE ELAPSED TIME SHOWN IN DATA CLOCK CAN BE ASSUMED TO BE WITHIN 1 TO 2 SECONDS OF ACTUAL TIME. FURTHER THAT HUMAN FACTOR INVOLVED I.E., LISTENING TO WWVH AND THE PHYSICAL MOTION OF PUNCHING THE SHOP WATCHES PROBABLY INDUCES THE MAJOR PORTION OF THIS 1 TO 2 SECONDS.
- APE VAGUE IN THAT WE DO NOT UNDERSTAND THE GOAL OF YOUR EXAMINATION. IF WE KNEW WHAT THIS GOAL WAS PERHAPS WE COULD OFFER MORE AID. POSSIBLY A COMPLETE NEW TIME SYSTEM OR A COMPLETELY NEW POSTFLIGHT PROCEDUPE IS INDICATED. WOULD APPRECIATE MORE INFORMATION NEXT TIME.

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